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The Democrats and Populists Unite in a Joint Convention to Select County Candidates.

The Democrats of Barton County met in delegate convention, at the Grand Army hall, and the Peoples Party met in the Court House, Saturday, June 2d.

The Democrat convention was called to order at 11 a. m. by Judge L. C. Breeden, chairman of the central committee. Upon motion Dr. F. M. Campbell, of Independent township was made temporary chairman and Will E. Stoke temporary secretary.

Upon motion the following committees were appointed:

On Credentials—Nick Klepper, J. S. Winget and H. J. Roetzel.

On Order of Business—S. W. Gould, Jacob Damm, Fred Hewitt.

On permanent Organization—Geo. W. Greene, Volney Ricketts and Joseph Batchman.

On Resolutions—Chas Schmidt, J. B. Carson, and T. P. Nichols.

Upon motion an adjournment was then taken to 1:30 p. m.

AFTERNOON. Upon reconvening after dinner the various committees made their reports, which were accepted and adopted.

The committee on credentials reported the following as accredited delegates:

Albion Township. Charlie Mallory, John Lindsay, Wm. Boyle, Robert Boyle, Isaac Markel, John Stankopf, Jake Stankopf, Buffalo Township. Henry Miller, Jacob Alf, Henry Essmiller, John Gruber, Louis Weingarten, Dick Essmiller, Cheyenne Township. Wm. F. Schiller, Anton Klief, Anton J. Bell, Alois King, Ferdinand Klug, Alois Benka, Emil J. Schiller, Richard Mader, Ignaz Budig, Nick Tokert, Frank Steiner, Clarence Township. Frank Merton, C. Reeler, W. Gageiman, A. Gell, D. G. Bird, Comanche Township. Fred Hewitt, Chas. Andree, Nick Shurtz, Charlie Schmidt, Wm. Panting, Jake Thul, Joe Batschman, Eureka Township. N. C. Ridenour, S. W. Gould, C. H. Lucas, Fairview Township. David Speck, Wheeler, Racey, Grant Township. J. A. Speck, Great Bend Township. F. C. Witte, Senj. Kelly, Jim Barrett, John Schmitt, Homestead Township. H. W. Hilden, Chas. Dilling, Geo. Valerius, C. L. Jones, F. P. Lokenberger, John Pilkington, G. L. Koch, Ed Heath, New Tyndall, Thos. McMahon, Ed. Hoch, Independent Township. Geo. W. Young, F. M. Campbell, Dan Carey, W. L. Schroeder, J. H. Wellmeyer, Chas. Mayo, Lakota Township. C. M. Sockwell, Wm. Christoph, M. Gales, Otto Schwerdtfeger, John Dick, John Schartz, Ed Leary, Fred Wolf, H. J. Roetzel, Ernest Schroeter, Wm. Roth, N. W. Klepper, Joseph Springer, P. B. Kimpier, Henry Achatz, Albert Kuhl, Chas. Ward, John Borscheidt jr, Logan Township. John Heifrich, Jacob Schoumer, John Schulte, Nick Schartz, E. J. Ingersoll, John Koenig, Pawnee Rock Township. T. P. Nichols, Wm. Wise, A. Miller, Ed Gordon, F. L. R. Unruh, J. H. Daniels, Arch Ferryman, South Bend Township. Phil Markey, Wm. Hise, Fred Ludwig

Union Township. J. L. Thompson, I. O. Deal, Walnut Township. Frank Schenk, Peter Brack, Conrad Ochs, Henry Campbell, J. B. Winget, A. B. Willcutt, P. W. Foxson, John Gallion, Washburn Precinct. Dan Asher, Wheatland Township. J. C. Lowrey, M. Stuenkel, W. Shupkine, W. G. Jones, Great Bend City. First Ward—Delegates, C. F. Dittenbacher, Volney Ricketts, Peter Maus. Second Ward—Delegates, Thos. Gilmore, D. B. Palmer and Dr. Mosde. Third Ward—Delegates, W. A. Rush, H. P. Moore, H. H. Feldkamp, John Mails Jr., Max Shaker, C. B. Morgan. Fourth Ward—Delegates, O. R. Wilson, H. M. Shore, and G. W. Greene jr.

The report of the committee on order of business was adopted. On recommendation of the com. on permanent organization H. J. Roetzel was made permanent chairman and W. E. Stoke permanent secretary.

The committee on resolutions reported, and the convention adopted the following:

RESOLUTIONS: With the fullest confidence in the foundation principles of the Democratic Party; with a firm belief in the better judgment of the American people, and a knowledge that the doctrine of democracy as taught and practiced by Jefferson, Jackson and Wm. J. Bryan will in the end prevail, and that the United States government will be taken from the hands of money changers and military despots and returned again to the people, be it

RESOLVED, by the democrats of Barton county, in convention assembled, that we pledge our allegiance to the principles laid down in the Chicago platform of 1896.

RESOLVED, further, that we endorse and adopt as our statement of faith, the resolutions adopted by the Democratic State convention held at Wichita, May 23d, 1900, and pledge ourselves as democrats, and our nominees to be named today, to use every honorable means at hand to carry out the pledges herein made.

A committee of three from the people's party convention appeared, and asked to be heard. With the consent of the convention they submitted a resolution, which had been passed by the other convention, asking that the two conventions meet jointly as a committee of the whole, to decide upon candidates for the various county offices, said candidates to be equally chosen from the democratic and populist parties, and that in the selection of such candidates the two-thirds rule should be observed—each nominee to be selected by at least two-thirds of all the delegates in both conventions.

After discussion this resolution was adopted by the democratic convention, and upon motion the rules were suspended, and a recess taken to such time as the permanent chairman should again call to order.

THE JOINT MEETING. Upon the delegates from the two conventions assembling in the court room, by motion H. J. Roetzel was selected as chairman and John Brodie and W. E. Stoke secretaries of the meeting.

Upon motion the delegates from each township represented in both conventions were empowered to cast the full vote of the township; and that nominations be made in the following order:

1st, County Attorney; 2d, Representative; 3d, Probate Judge; 4th, County Superintendent of Schools; 5th, Clerk of District Court; 6th, County Printer; 7th, Commissioner by the delegates of the 2d district.

Nominations being then in order, upon motion all rules were suspended, and James W. Clarke was nominated by acclamation for County Attorney.

For Representative—Informal ballot: M. W. Coburn 158, H. S. Everett 54, Isom Wright 20, F. M. Russell 9, E. C. Davis 8, M. L. Harrison 7, B. J. Hennessy 2, and one each for H. E. Fruit, John Donovan and Randall Livsey.

Formal ballot—Coburn 196, Everett 53, Wright 14. Upon motion of Mr. Wright the nomination of M. W. Coburn was made unanimous.

For Probate Judge—Informal ballot: W. P. Feder 169, L. C. Breeden 77, Chas. Beye 16.

Formal ballot—Feder 251, Breeden 4, Beye 7. Upon motion

the nomination of Mr. Feder was made unanimous. Before the formal ballot was taken, however, Judge Breeden in a short address thanking the democrats and populists for the honors they had already given him; withdrew his name from before the convention.

For Co. Supt. of Schools—Informal ballot: B. J. Hennessy 99%, C. R. Aldrich 51%, Henry Zimmer 50, M. L. Harrison 38, Chas. Younklin 9, Joe E. McMullin 9.

Formal ballot—Hennessy 124, Zimmer 59, Harrison 41, Aldrich 22, McMullin 7, Younklin 5.

Second Formal—Hennessy 136, Aldrich 65, Zimmer 33, Harrison 22.

Third Formal—Hennessy 194, Aldrich 45, Zimmer 18, Harrison 6, Younklin 4. On motion B. J. Hennessy was then declared the unanimous choice for superintendent.

For Clerk of District Court—Informal ballot: W. B. Lucas 127, H. H. Boyle 86, Joe Batchman 42, L. C. Breeden 3, Frank Strothman 1.

Formal ballot—Lucas 183, Boyle 59, Batchman 18. Upon motion the nomination of W. B. Lucas was made unanimous.

Upon motion the rules were suspended, and D. T. Armstrong was unanimously chosen as the candidate for County Printer.

The two conventions as a committee of the whole then adjourned.

DEMOCRATIC NOMINATIONS.

Chairman Roetzel called the democratic convention to order again, and upon motion the following nominations were made by a unanimous vote of the delegates, viz:

Co. Atty., James W. Clarke. Representative, M. W. Coburn. Probate Judge, W. P. Feder. Co. Supt. Supt., B. J. Hennessy. Dist. Clerk, W. B. Lucas. Co. Printer, D. T. Armstrong.

Upon motion the convention proper then adjourned, and the delegates from the 2d commissioner district organized by selecting O. R. Wilson as chairman and W. E. Stoke secretary. Upon motion S. S. Shattuck was unanimously nominated for County Commissioner. District convention then adjourned.

NOTE—After the adjournment of the two conventions as a whole the people's party convention (which had also taken a recess) was re-convened and the above named candidates were placed in nomination by unanimous votes.

O. A. Smith was chairman and John Brodie secretary of the populist convention.

FROM THE PHILIPPINES.

Philippine Islands, Bacolod, Negros, March 22, 1900.

DEAR FRIEND BILL:

I expect you will be surprised to hear from me, but I thought that you would like to hear how I was getting along. You have shown me that you were my friend in the past, and I hope you are still.

Well, Bill I am sitting in my tent all alone, twelve thousand miles from nowhere, writing by candle light. The boys have all gone over in town to have a time; the band is playing over on the corner, in front of Headquarters. We are camped about one hundred miles from Manila, on a little island called Negros. It is about one hundred miles long and forty miles wide; they claim it is the healthiest island of the sickness among the natives, but very little among the soldiers.

I have had a pretty good time since I have been over here. We left 'Frisco on the 20th of November, on the Transport Hancock, one of the finest ships you ever saw. She certainly was a beauty; we reached Manila on the 28 of Nov. Say Bill, that is a fine little place, of about ten thousand inhabitants; some of the prettiest girls you ever saw; lots of Chinese and Negroes; we stayed there just long enough to coal up the ship, which took us about seven days, just long enough for the people to get enough of us.

Well on the 18th of December we landed in that pretty city of Manila, and I never was so glad to see land in my life. Bill there is a sight worth seeing out in the bay; you see large battle ships of nearly every nation, our large gun boats patrolling up and down the coast, their guns roaring every morning and evening until you think that your time has come. In Manila you see large, old stone buildings and towers that look like they are going to fall over every minute; natives without anything on scarcely at all, running about on the streets; they are not as bad now as they were. The city is pretty well patrolled. We only stayed in the city a few days, and then our battalion (4 companies) changed from the transport Hancock to the small ship City of Pueblo, and sailed down to these islands, where we are now. It took us two days and nights; we had to go slow on account of shallow water; we like to have never landed when we did get here, this being a small place and having no docks. We had to row in small boats as far as we could, and then the natives came out in the water with their carts—a small box-like trap, with two wheels, drawn by the Carabau (or water buffalo), a small animal about the size of our cattle; they have great long horns and can swim like a duck. We finally got landed. There is one company of the 6th infantry at this place and they had tents up ready for us to go into; and maybe you think I didn't put in a good night's sleep that night. The next night I went on guard, for the first time in the Philippines (and strange to say I am still doing guard duty) but I never will forget that night, when I had begun to get a little foot-sore, I heard something coming but it was so dark I couldn't see what it was, I challenged but no answer; so I just pulled down my old Craig and let him have it. But when I walked down to find my enemy I found nothing but a harmless old dog, dead as a door nail.

Bill the way these people have of living is funnier still. They live in bamboo houses; they are built upon bamboo poles about ten feet off the ground; that is to keep out the rain in the rainy season, and the disease. They have no furniture whatever in their houses; they eat and sleep on the floor; they eat nearly everything in sight—from a snake up to a toad—and a grasshopper stew is considered a fine dish, I tell you what, when we come back we will be able to clean out all the grasshoppers in Kansas.

I think that we will be in barracks soon; they are putting up a fine building for us to go into. Well Bill there goes taps, so I will finish in the morning.

March 23d.—I didn't have time to finish last night so I will finish now. We just came in off of drill and they are having guard mount now; this is a nice day, there is not a cloud in sight, but O, my! how hot! The boys have all gone down to the coconut grove. O, we have a fine time over here you can bet on that, you can buy anything you want over here; they have ice cold beer and drinks of all kinds. Beer is worth 20 cents a bottle. Bill I expect that our regiment will be mustered out inside of five months. Our captain said the other day that if he thought that we were going to be in any longer than that he would resign. So you see it comes pretty straight. If we are discharged in that length of time I am going to enlist in the Manila mounted police, for five years; they pay sixty dollars a month and board, and furnish you with clothes and a good horse. A man ought to save something out of that. I have got seventy five plunks soaked with the paymaster now, and intend to put twenty more with him as soon as we are paid. We are paid every two months over here.

Well Bill, how are all the folks at home? Have you seen my folks lately? I expect that they have left the court house by this time, haven't they? It is so far over here that we don't get mail very often. How is Rodge and his wife getting along, and how are you getting along in the store? Is the Kid that took my place still with you? Bill, have you seen Wells since he has come back there? Give him my best regards if you see him. Well Bill I will have to close, hoping to hear from you soon. I remain, Your Friend,

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